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**MS PATENT APPLICATION**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c).

Inventor(s): PEETERS, Roger Johannes Maria; and  
LEERENTVELD, Nando

For: SHEET DEPOSITION SYSTEM HAVING MULTIPLE SUPPORTS  
DETACHABLY SUSPENDED INMULTIPLE GUIDE MEMBERS

Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of twenty-two (22) pages
- Three (3) sheet(s) of formal drawings
- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27

- Applicant does not claim priority
- Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on Application No(s). 02078791.7 filed in EPO on August 26, 2002.
- Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.
- Certified copy(ies) will follow.
- Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow
- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- Preliminary Amendment
- Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76
- Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Applicant requests early publication - \$300.00 publication fee
- Non-publication Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) (2) (B) (i)

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

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<input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED				+ \$280.00	+ \$140.00
			TOTAL	\$750.00	\$0.00

- The application transmitted herewith is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c). The undersigned has been authorized by the inventor(s) to file the present application. The original duly executed declaration together with the surcharge will be forwarded in due course.

- A check in the amount of \$750.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this transmittal form is enclosed.
- Please send correspondence to:  
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Respectfully submitted,  
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LETTER

Commissioner for Patents  
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August 26, 2003

Sir:

Under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 119 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.55(a), the applicant(s) hereby claim(s) the right of priority based on the following application(s):

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Filed</u>
EPO	02078791.7	August 26, 2003

A certified copy of the above-noted application(s) is(are) attached hereto.

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